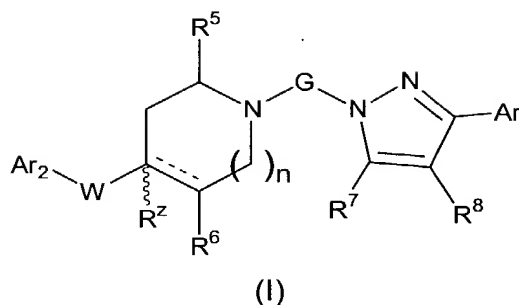


CLAIMS

1. A compound of formula I:



wherein:

- Ar₂ is a monocyclic or bicyclic ring system, unsaturated, saturated or aromatic, optionally fused, optionally including between 1 and 5 heteroatom ring moieties independently selected from O, S, N, SO₂, and C=O; said Ar₂ ring system being optionally substituted with between 1 and 4 substituents;
- R⁵ and R⁶ are independently selected from hydrogen and C₁₋₅ alkyl;
- R⁷ and R⁸ are independently hydrogen, C₁₋₅ alkyl, C₂₋₅ alkenyl, C₁₋₅ alkoxy, C₁₋₅ alkylthio, halogen, or a 4-7 membered carbocyclyl or heterocyclyl; alternatively, R⁷ and R⁸ can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 5- to 7- membered carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring, which ring may be unsaturated or aromatic, and may be optionally substituted with between one and three substituents independently selected from halo, cyano, amino, hydroxy, nitro, R⁴, R⁴O-, R⁴S-, R⁴O(C₁₋₅ alkylene)-, R⁴O(C=O)-, R⁴(C=O)-, R⁴(C=S)-, R⁴(C=O)O-, R⁴O(C=O)(C=O)-, R⁴SO₂, NHR⁴⁴(C=NH)-, NHR⁴⁴SO₂-, and NHR⁴⁴(C=O)-;
- R⁴ is H, C₁₋₅ alkyl, C₂₋₅ alkenyl, C₁₋₅ heterocyclyl, (C₁₋₅ heterocyclyl)C₁₋₆ alkylene, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, NH₂, mono- or di(C₁₋₆ alkyl)N-, (C₁₋₆ alkoxy)carbonyl- or R⁴²OR⁴³-, wherein R⁴² is H, C₁₋₅ alkyl, C₂₋₅ alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, C₁₋₅ heterocyclyl, or (C₁₋₅ heterocyclyl)C₁₋₆

alkylene and R^{43} is C_{1-5} alkylene, phenylene, or divalent C_{1-5} heterocyclyl;

R^{44} can be H in addition to the values for R^4 ;

5 n is 0, 1, or 2;

G is C_{3-6} alkenediyl or C_{3-6} alkanediyl, optionally substituted with hydroxy, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, oxo, hydroximino, CO_2R^k , R^kR^lN , $R^kR^lNCO_2$, (L)- C_{1-4} alkylene-, (L)- C_{1-5} alkoxy, N_3 , or [(L)- C_{1-5} alkylene]amino;

10 each of R^k and R^l is independently hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, or C_{1-5} heterocyclyl; alternatively R^k and R^l , can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring, which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic;

15 L is amino, mono- or di- C_{1-5} alkylamino, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, piperidinyl, homopiperidinyl, or piperazinyl, wherein available ring nitrogens may be optionally substituted with C_{1-5} alkyl, benzyl, C_{2-5} acyl, C_{1-5} alkylsulfonyl, or C_{1-5} alkoxycarbonyl;

20 Ar represents a monocyclic or bicyclic aryl or heteroaryl ring, optionally substituted with between 1 and 3 substituents independently selected from halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{2-5} alkenyl, cyano, azido, nitro, $R^{22}R^{23}N$, $R^{24}SO_2$, $R^{24}S$, $R^{24}SO$, $R^{24}OC=O$, $R^{22}R^{23}NC=O$, C_{1-5} haloalkyl, C_{1-5} haloalkoxy, C_{1-5} haloalkylthio, and C_{1-5} alkylthio;

25 R^{22} is hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, phenethyl, benzyl, or C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, C_{2-8} acyl, aroyl, $R^{38}OC=O$, $R^{25}R^{26}NC=O$, $R^{38}SO$, $R^{38}SO_2$, $R^{38}S$, or $R^{25}R^{26}NSO_2$;

30 R^{23} is hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl or C_{1-5} heterocyclyl; alternatively, R^{22} and R^{23} can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring, which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic;

35 each of R^{24} and R^{24} is C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, or C_{1-5} heterocyclyl;

R^{25} and R^{26} independently are hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, or C_{1-5} heterocyclyl;

or, alternatively, R^{25} and R^{26} can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7-membered heterocyclic ring, which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic;

W represents O, S, NR^{27} , C=O, (C=O)NH, NH(C=O), CHR^{28} , or a covalent bond;

R^Z is H or OH and the dashed line is absent; or R^Z is absent where the dashed line is an sp^2 bond;

R^{27} is hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, naphthyl, benzyl, phenethyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, C_{2-8} acyl, aroyl, $R^{29}OC=O$, $R^{30}R^{31}NC=O$, $R^{29}SO$, $R^{29}S$, $R^{29}SO_2$, or $R^{30}R^{31}NSO_2$;

or, alternatively, R^{27} and part of Ar_2 can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring with optionally 1 to 3 additional heteroatom moieties in the ring selected from O, NR^9 , NR^{10} , N, SO_2 , C=O, and S; which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic; R^9 and R^{10} are independently selected from H, C_{1-3} alkyl, and $-CH_2CO_2(C_{1-4}$ alkyl);

R^{28} is hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, hydroxy, phenyl, benzyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, $R^{29}O$, $R^{30}R^{31}NC=O$, $R^{29}S$, $R^{29}SO$, $R^{29}SO_2$, or $R^{30}R^{31}NSO_2$;

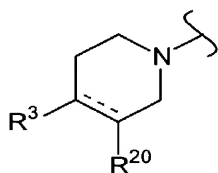
R^{29} is C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, or C_{1-5} heterocyclyl;

R^{30} and R^{31} are independently selected from hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, naphthyl, and C_{1-5} heteroaryl; alternatively, R^{30} and R^{31} can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7-membered ring carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring, which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic;

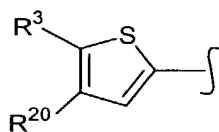
wherein each of the above hydrocarbyl or heterocarbyl groups, unless otherwise indicated, and in addition to any specified substituents, is optionally and independently substituted with between 1 and 3 substituents selected from methyl, halomethyl, hydroxymethyl, halo, hydroxy, amino, nitro, cyano, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{1-5} alkoxy, $-COOH$, C_{2-6} acyl, $[di(C_{1-4}$ alkyl)amino] C_{2-5} alkylene, $[di(C_{1-4}$ alkyl)amino] C_{2-5} alkyl-NH-CO-, and C_{1-5} haloalkoxy;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, amide, or ester thereof; or a stereoisomeric form thereof.

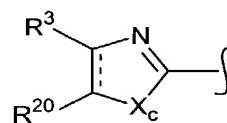
- 5 2. A compound of claim 1, wherein Ar_2 is selected from 5-7 membered monocyclic rings, and [5,6], [6,6], [6,5], and [5,5] fused bicyclic ring systems, said ring or ring system being carbocyclic or heterocyclic, saturated, unsaturated, or aromatic, optionally substituted with halo, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} haloalkyl, C_{1-4} hydroxyalkyl, nitro, hydroxy, amino, mono- or
- 10 di- $(C_{1-6}$ alkyl)amino, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{2-4} alkoxy carbonyl, C_{2-6} acyl, C_{2-6} acyloxy, C_{1-5} alkylsulfonyl, C_{1-5} alkoxy carbonyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, cyano, and mono- or di- $(C_{1-6}$ alkyl)carbamoyl.
- 15 3. A compound of claim 1, wherein Ar_2 is selected from 2,5-di $(C_{1-6}$ alkyl)aminopyrrolyl and the following 6 formulae:



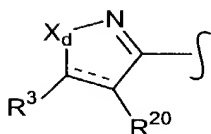
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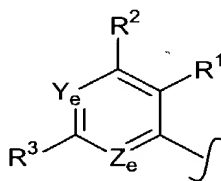
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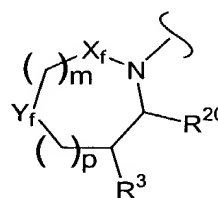
(c)



(d)



(e)



(f)

wherein

each dashed line may be an sp^2 bond or absent;

X_c is O, S, or N; and X_d is O or S;

- R^1 is hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, hydroxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{2-5} alkenyl, cyano, nitro, $R^a R^b N$, C_{2-8} acyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, $(C_{1-5} \text{ heterocyclyl})C_{1-5}$ alkylene, $R^{11}S$, $R^{11}SO$, $R^{11}SO_2$, $R^c OC=O$, $R^c R^d NC=O$, or $R^c R^d NSO_2$; or R^1 can be taken together with R^{27} as provided below;
- R^2 is hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, hydroxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{2-5} alkenyl, cyano, nitro, $R^e R^f N$, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, or C_{2-8} acyl;
- R^3 is hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, hydroxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{2-5} alkenyl, cyano, nitro, $R^g R^h N$, C_{2-8} acyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, $R^h OC=O$, $R^g R^h NC=O$, or $R^g R^h NSO_2$;
- R^a is selected from hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, C_{2-8} acyl, aroyl, $R^i OC=O$, $R^i R^j NC=O$, $R^{12}SO$, $R^{12}SO_2$, $R^{12}S$, and $R^i R^j NSO_2$;
- R^e is selected from hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, C_{2-8} acyl, aroyl, $R^{32} OC=O$, $R^{32} R^{33} NC=O$, $R^{13}SO$, $R^{13}SO_2$, $R^{13}S$, and $R^{32} R^{33} NSO_2$;
- R^m is selected from hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, C_{2-8} acyl, aroyl, $R^{34} OC=O$, $R^{34} R^{35} NC=O$, $R^{15}SO$, $R^{15}SO_2$, $R^{15}S$, and $R^{34} R^{35} NSO_2$;
- R^o is selected from hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, C_{2-8} acyl, aroyl, $R^{36} OC=O$, $R^{36} R^{37} NC=O$, $R^{19}SO$, $R^{19}SO_2$, $R^{19}S$, and $R^{36} R^{37} NSO_2$;
- each of R^b , R^f , R^n , R^p , R^{32} , R^{33} , R^{34} , R^{35} , R^{36} , R^{37} , R^{39} , and R^{40} is independently selected from hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, and C_{1-5} heteroaryl;
- alternatively, R^a and R^b , R^e and R^f , R^m and R^n , and R^o and R^p , independently, can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring, which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic;
- each of R^{11} , R^{12} , R^{13} , R^{14} , R^{15} , R^{16} , R^{19} , R^{38} , and R^{41} is independently C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, or C_{1-5} heterocyclyl;
- each of R^c and R^d , and R^i and R^j are independently are hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, or C_{1-5} heteroaryl;

R⁹ is hydrogen, C₁₋₅ alkyl, C₃₋₅ alkenyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, or C₁₋₅ heterocyclcyl, C₂₋₈ acyl, aroyl, R¹⁷OC=O, R¹⁷R¹⁸NC=O, R¹⁶S, R¹⁶SO, R¹⁶SO₂, or R¹⁷R¹⁸NSO₂;

alternatively, R^g and R^h can be taken together to form an optionally
10 substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring, which ring may be
saturated, unsaturated or aromatic;

alternatively, R¹⁷ and R¹⁸ can be taken together to form an optionally
15 substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring, which ring may be
saturated, unsaturated or aromatic;

Z_e is nitrogen or $R^{21}C$;

R²¹ is hydrogen, halogen, C₁₋₅ alkoxy, C₁₋₅ alkyl, C₂₋₅ alkenyl, cyano, nitro, R^oR^pN, C₂₋₈ acyl, R¹⁶OC=O, R¹¹S, R¹¹SO, or R¹¹SO₂;

alternatively, R³ and R²⁰ or R³ and R²¹ can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 5- or 6-membered carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring, which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic; wherein said ring may be optionally substituted with halo, di(C₁₋₅ alkyl)amino, C₂₋₅ acyl, and C₁₋₅ alkoxy;

R^{27} is hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, phenyl, naphthyl, benzyl, phenethyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, C_{2-8} acyl, aroyl, $R^{29}OC=O$, $R^{30}R^{31}NC=O$, $R^{29}SO$, $R^{29}S$, $R^{29}SO_2$, or $R^{30}R^{31}NSO_2$;

or, alternatively, R^{27} and R^1 can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring with optionally 1 to 3 additional heteroatom moieties in the ring selected from O, NR^9 , NR^{10} , N, SO_2 , $C=O$, and S; which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic;

R^9 and R^{10} are independently selected from H, C_{1-3} alkyl, and $-CH_2CO_2(C_{1-4}$ alkyl);

X_f is CHR^{1f} , $=N-$, NH , $C=O$, SO_2 , $CHSR^{1f}$ wherein, in formula (f), R^{1f} is hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, hydroxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, cyano, nitro, $R^{39}R^{40}N$, C_{2-8} acyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, $(C_{1-5}$ heterocyclyl) C_{1-5} alkylene, $R^{41}S$, $R^{41}SO$, $R^{41}SO_2$, $R^{39}OC=O$, $R^{39}R^{40}NC=O$, $R^{39}R^{40}NSO_2$, $R^{41}SO_3^-$ or $R^{39}(C=O)O^-$;

Y_f is CH_2 , CHR^{2f} , $=CR^{2f}$, O, or NR^{2f} , wherein R^{2f} is H, C_{1-7} alkyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, C_{2-8} acyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, $(C_{1-5}$ heterocyclyl)- C_{1-5} alkylene, phenyl, (phenyl)- C_{1-5} alkylene, $(C_{3-7}$ cycloalkyl)- C_{1-5} alkylene, $(H_2NCO)-C_{1-5}$ alkylene, C_{1-5} haloalkyl, C_{1-5} cyanoalkyl, $(C_{1-5}$ alkoxy carbonyl) C_{1-5} alkylene, and (phenylcarbonyl)NH-;

m is 0 or 1;

p is 0 or 1;

wherein each of the above hydrocarbyl or heterocarbyl groups, unless otherwise indicated, and in addition to any specified substituents, is optionally and independently substituted with between 1 and 3 substituents selected from methyl, halomethyl, hydroxymethyl, halo, hydroxy, amino, nitro, cyano, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{1-5} alkoxy, $-COOH$, C_{2-6} acyl, $[di(C_{1-4}$ alkyl)amino] C_{2-5} alkylene, $[di(C_{1-4}$ alkyl)amino] C_{2-5} alkyl-NH- $CO-$, and C_{1-5} haloalkoxy.

4. A compound of claim 3, wherein Ar_2 is selected from formulae (e).
5. A compound of claim 3, wherein Ar_2 is selected from formulae (f).
- 5 6. A compound of claim 3, wherein Ar_2 is selected from formula (a)-(d).
7. A compound of claim 3, wherein R^1 is halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, hydroxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, cyano, nitro, R^aR^bN or is taken together with R^{27} .
- 10 8. A compound of claim 7, wherein R^1 is taken together with R^{27} .
9. A compound of claim 8, wherein R^1 and R^{27} taken together are selected from:
- 15 a) $-CH_2NR^9-(C=O)-$
 b) $-OCH_2(C=O)-$
 c) $-CH_2CH_2(C=O)-$
 d) $-CH_2-O(C=O)-$
 e) $-CH_2S(C=O)-$
 f) $-O(C=O) -$
 20 g) $-CH_2(C=O) -$
 h) $-NR^9(C=O) -$
 i) $-NR^9(SO_2) -$
 j) $-CH_2NR^9SO_2-$
 k) $-NR^9CH_2(C=O)-$ and
 25 l) $-SCH_2(C=O)-$.
10. A compound of claim 9, wherein R^1 and R^{27} taken together are selected from:
- 30 a) $-CH_2-(C=O)-$
 b) $-O(C=O)-$
 c) $-CH_2CH_2-$
 d) $-S(C=O)-$
 e) $-N=N-$

- f) $-\text{NR}^9\text{SO}_2-$
 g) $-\text{N}=\text{CR}^9-$
 h) $-\text{NR}^9(\text{C}=\text{O})-$ and
 i) $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$.

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11. A compound of claim 3, wherein R^2 is hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, cyano, or $\text{R}^e\text{R}^f\text{N}$, where R^e and R^f are H or C_{1-5} alkyl, or are taken together to form a 5-7 membered heterocyclic ring.

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12. A compound of claim 3, wherein R^3 is hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, cyano, nitro, or $\text{R}^e\text{R}^f\text{N}$, where R^e and R^f are H or C_{1-5} alkyl, or are taken together to form a 5-7 membered heterocyclic ring.

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13. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^5 and R^6 are independently selected from hydrogen and C_{1-3} alkyl.

14. A compound of claim 12, wherein one of R^5 and R^6 is H.

15. A compound of claim 14, wherein R^5 and R^6 are each H.

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16. A compound of claim 1, wherein one of R^7 and R^8 is H and the other is 5-7 membered carbocyclyl or heterocyclyl.

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17. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^7 and R^8 are taken together to form an optionally substituted 5- to 7- membered carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring.

18. A compound of claim 16, wherein R^7 and R^8 taken together form a six-membered heterocyclyl.

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19. A compound of claim 16, wherein R^7 and R^8 taken together form pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, or piperazinyl, optionally N-substituted with $-(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{R}^4$, $-\text{SO}_2\text{R}^4$, or $-(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{NHR}^{44}$.

20. A compound of claim 3, wherein each of R^a , R^e , R^m , and R^o is independently selected from hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{2-8} acyl, and the respective $ROC=O$, $RRNC=O$, RSO , RSO_2 , and $RRNSO_2$ groups.
- 5 21. A compound of claim 19, wherein each of R^a , R^e , R^m , R^o , R^b , R^f , R^n , and R^p is independently selected from hydrogen and C_{1-5} alkyl; or , independently, R^a and R^b , R^e and R^f , R^m and R^n , and R^o and R^p , taken together, form an optionally substituted 4- to 7-membered carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring.
- 10 22. A compound of claim 21, wherein: (1) R^a and R^b taken together are independently morpholinyl, piperidinyl, or pyrrolidinyl; (2) R^e and R^f taken together are morpholinyl, piperidinyl, or pyrrolidinyl; or (3) both (1) and (2) apply.
- 15 23. A compound of claim 3, wherein each of R^c and R^d , R^i and R^j , R^k and R^l is independently hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl, alternatively, R^c and R^d , R^i and R^j , and R^k and R^l , independently, can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring, which ring
- 20 may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic.
24. A compound of claim 23, wherein R^c and R^d , R^i and R^j , and R^k and R^l , independently, are taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring, which ring may be saturated,
- 25 unsaturated or aromatic.
25. A compound of claim 3, wherein each of R^b , R^f , R^n , R^p , R^{32} , R^{33} , R^{34} , R^{35} , R^{36} , R^{37} , R^{39} , and R^{40} is independently H or C_{1-5} alkyl.
- 30 26. A compound of claim 3, wherein each of R^{11} , R^{12} , R^{13} , R^{14} , R^{15} , R^{16} , R^{19} , R^{38} , and R^{41} is independently H or C_{1-5} alkyl.

27. A compound of claim 3, wherein R^g is C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{2-8} acyl, $R^{17}OC=O$, $R^{17}R^{18}NC=O$, $R^{16}S$, $R^{16}SO$, $R^{16}SO_2$, or $R^{17}R^{18}NSO_2$; and R^h hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl; alternatively, R^g and R^h can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring.
28. A compound of claim 3, wherein R^{17} and R^{18} independently are hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl.
29. A compound of claim 1, wherein n is 1.
30. A compound of claim 1, wherein n is 0.
31. A compound of claim 1, wherein G is C_{3-4} alkanediyl, optionally substituted with hydroxy, halogen, (L)- C_{1-5} alkyloxy, or [(L)- C_{1-5} alkylene]amino.
32. A compound of claim 31, wherein G is C_3 alkanediyl, optionally substituted with hydroxy, (L)- C_{1-5} alkyloxy, or [(L)- C_{1-5} alkylene]amino.
33. A compound of claim 3, wherein each of R^{20} and R^{21} is independently selected from hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, cyano, nitro, and R^mR^nN or R^oR^pN , respectively.
34. A compound of claim 33, wherein each of R^{20} and R^{21} is independently selected from hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-3} alkyl, and R^mR^nN or R^oR^pN , respectively.
35. A compound of claim 1, wherein Ar represents a monocyclic ring, optionally substituted with 1 to 2 substituents selected from halogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, cyano, azido, nitro, $R^{22}R^{23}N$, halomethyl, and halomethoxy.
36. A compound of claim 35, wherein Ar is a six membered ring substituted with between 1 and 2 substituents independently selected from methyl,

halogen, CF_3 , and OCF_3 , said substituent or substituents being at the 4-position, or at the 3- and 4- positions, respectively.

37. A compound of claim 1, wherein each of R^{22} , R^{23} , and R^{24} is hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl.
38. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^{25} and R^{26} independently are hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl; or, alternatively, R^{25} and R^{26} can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring.
39. A compound of claim 38, wherein each of R^{25} and R^{26} is independently hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl.
40. A compound of claim 1, wherein W is NR^{27} .
41. A compound of claim 1, wherein W is CHR^{28} , and R^{28} is hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl.
42. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^{29} is C_{1-5} alkyl; or R^{30} and R^{31} are independently selected from hydrogen and C_{1-5} alkyl, or R^{30} and R^{31} are taken together to form a 5-6 membered heterocyclyl.
43. A compound of claim 3, wherein
 - Ar_2 is formula (e) and R^1 halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, hydroxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, cyano, nitro, and $\text{R}^a\text{R}^b\text{N}$, or R^1 can be taken together with R^{27} as provided below;
 - R^2 is hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, or $\text{R}^e\text{R}^f\text{N}$;
 - R^3 is hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, hydroxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, cyano, $\text{R}^g\text{R}^h\text{N}$;
 - R^5 and R^6 are independently selected from hydrogen and C_{1-3} alkyl;
 - R^7 and R^8 independently are taken together to form an optionally substituted 5- to 7- membered carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring, which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic;

each of R^a , R^e , R^m , and R^o is independently selected from hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{2-8} acyl, and the respective $ROC=O$, $RRNC=O$, RS , RSO , RSO_2 , and $RRNSO_2$ groups;

each of R^b , R^f , R^n , and R^p , is independently selected from hydrogen and C_{1-5} alkyl;

each of R^{11} , R^{12} , R^{13} , R^{14} , R^{15} , R^{16} , R^{19} , and R^{38} is independently C_{1-5} alkyl;

each of R^c and R^d , R^i and R^j , R^k and R^l , R^{32} and R^{33} , R^{34} and R^{35} , R^{36} and R^{37} are independently are hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl, or are taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring;

R^g is hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{2-8} acyl, $R^{17}OC=O$, $R^{17}R^{18}NC=O$, $R^{16}S$, $R^{16}SO$, $R^{16}SO_2$, or $R^{17}R^{18}NSO_2$;

R^h is hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl;

alternatively, R^g and R^h can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring;

R^{17} and R^{18} independently are hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl;

n is 0 or 1;

G is C_{3-4} alkenediyl or C_{3-4} alkanediyl, optionally substituted with hydroxy, halogen, C_{1-5} alkyloxy, (L)- C_{1-5} alkoxy, N_3 , or [(L)- C_{1-5} alkylene]amino;

L is amino, mono- or di- C_{1-5} alkylamino, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, piperidinyl, homopiperidinyl, or piperazinyl, wherein available ring nitrogens may be optionally substituted with C_{1-5} alkyl, benzyl, C_{1-5} alkylcarbonyl, or C_{1-5} alkyloxycarbonyl;

Y_e is nitrogen or $R^{20}C$;

Z_e is nitrogen or $R^{21}C$;

R^{20} and R^{21} are independently selected from hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, cyano, nitro, and R^mR^nN or R^oR^pN , respectively; alternatively, R^3 and R^{20} or R^3 and R^{21} can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 5- or 6-membered carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring;

Ar represents a monocyclic or bicyclic aryl or heteroaryl ring, optionally substituted with between 1 and 3 substituents independently selected from halogen, C_{1-5} alkoxy, C_{1-5} alkyl, cyano, azido, nitro, $R^{22}R^{23}N$, $R^{24}SO_2$, $R^{24}OC=O$, $R^{25}R^{26}NC=O$, CF_3 , OCF_3 , CF_3S , and C_{1-5} alkylthio;

- R^{22} is hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, C_{2-8} acyl, aroyl, $R^{24}OC=O$, $R^{25}R^{26}NC=O$, $R^{24}SO$, $R^{24}SO_2$, or $R^{25}R^{26}NSO_2$;
- R^{23} is hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl; alternatively, R^{22} and R^{23} can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic ring;
- R^{24} is hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl;
- R^{25} and R^{26} are independently hydrogen or C_{1-5} alkyl; or, alternatively, R^{25} and R^{26} can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7- membered heterocyclic;
- W is NR^{27} or CHR^{28} ;
- R^{27} is hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, $R^{29}OC=O$, $R^{30}R^{31}NC=O$, $R^{29}SO$, $R^{29}SO_2$, or $R^{30}R^{31}NSO_2$; or, alternatively, R^{27} and R^1 can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring, which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or aromatic;
- R^{28} is hydrogen, hydroxy, C_{1-5} heterocyclyl, phenyl, or C_{1-5} alkyl;
- R^{29} is C_{1-5} alkyl; and
- R^{30} and R^{31} are independently selected from hydrogen, C_{1-5} alkyl; alternatively, R^{30} and R^{31} can be taken together to form an optionally substituted 4- to 7-membered heterocyclic.
44. A compound of claim 42, wherein R^1 and R^{27} taken together are selected from:
- a) $-CH_2NR^9-(C=O)-$
 - b) $-OCH_2(C=O)-$
 - c) $-CH_2CH_2(C=O)-$
 - d) $-CH_2-O(C=O)-$
 - e) $-CH_2S(C=O)-$
 - f) $-O(C=O) -$
 - g) $-CH_2(C=O) -$
 - h) $-NR^9(C=O) -$
 - i) $-NR^9(SO_2) -$
 - j) $-CH_2NR^9SO_2-$

k) $-\text{NR}^9\text{CH}_2(\text{C}=\text{O})-$ and

l) $-\text{SCH}_2(\text{C}=\text{O})-$.

45. A compound of claim 42, wherein R^1 taken together with R_{27} are
5 selected from:

a) $-\text{CH}_2-(\text{C}=\text{O})-$

b) $-\text{O}(\text{C}=\text{O})-$

c) $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$

d) $-\text{S}(\text{C}=\text{O})-$

10 e) $-\text{N}=\text{N}-$

f) $-\text{NR}^9\text{SO}_2-$

g) $-\text{N}=\text{CR}^9-$

h) $-\text{NR}^9(\text{C}=\text{O})-$ and

i) $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$.

15 46. A compound of claim 1, wherein
one of R^5 and R^6 is H,

R^7 and R^8 are taken together to form an optionally substituted 6-
membered carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring; and

20 Ar represents a monocyclic ring, optionally substituted with 1 to 2
substituents selected from halogen, C_{1-5} alkyl, cyano, azido, nitro,
 $\text{R}^{22}\text{R}^{23}\text{N}$, CF_3 and OCF_3 .

47. A compound of claim 46, wherein both R^5 and R^6 are each H, and
25 Ar is a six membered ring substituted with between 1 and 2 substituents
independently selected from halogen, methyl, CF_3 , and OCF_3 , said
substituent or substituents being at the 4-position, or at the 3- and 4-
positions.

30 48. A compound of claim 47, wherein R^7 and R^8 taken together form
tetrahydropyridinyl, optionally N-substituted with $-(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{R}^4$, $-\text{SO}_2\text{R}^4$, or -
 $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{NHR}^{44}$.

49. A compound of claim 5, wherein X_f is $C=O$, SO_2 , or CHR^{1f} , and Y_f is O or NR^{2f} , where R^{2f} is H , C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{2-5} heterocyclyl, C_{1-5} cyanoalkyl, or $(C_{1-5}$ alkoxy carbonyl) C_{1-5} alkylene.
- 5 50. A compound of claim 49, wherein R^{2f} is H , C_{1-3} alkyl, or a C_{2-5} heterocyclyl.
51. A compound of claim 5, wherein X_f is $C=O$, and Y_f is O , CHR^{2f} or NR^{2f} , where R^{2f} is H , C_{1-5} alkyl, C_{2-5} heterocyclyl, C_{1-5} cyanoalkyl, or $(C_{1-5}$ alkoxy carbonyl) C_{1-5} alkylene.
- 10 52. A compound of claim 51, wherein X_f is $C=O$ and Y_f is O .
53. A compound of claim 5, wherein m is 0 and p is 0; m is 0 and p is 1; or m is 1 and p is 0.
- 15 54. A compound of claim 53, wherein p is 0.
55. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^z is H .
- 20 56. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^z is OH .
57. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^z is absent.
- 25 58. A compound of claim 3, wherein R^{20} and R^3 taken together are a six-membered carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring optionally substituted with between 1 and 3 substituents independently selected from halo, C_{1-3} alkoxy, $di(C_{1-3}$ alkyl)amino, and C_{2-5} acyl.
- 30 59. A compound of claim 3, wherein each of R^{20} and R^3 is H .

60. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one ;

5 1-(1-{3-[3-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one ;

3-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic
10 acid amide ;

6-Chloro-1-(1-{3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one ;

3-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(3-methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide ;

[3-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-acetonitrile ;

20 [3-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-acetic acid ethyl ester ;

5-Chloro-3-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one ;

1-{3-[4-(6-Chloro-3-methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide ;

3-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,5-dimethyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one ;

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- 3-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one ;
- 3-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methoxy-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one ;
- 3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(5-methoxy-2-oxo-1,2-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-3-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide ;
- 3-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methoxy-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one ;
- 5-Dimethylamino-3-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one ;
- 6-Chloro-1-(1-{3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one ;
- 1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one ;
- 4-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one ;
- 4-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one ; and
- 1-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one .

61. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

[3-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-acetonitrile; and 4-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one.

62. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

2-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-ylamino)-benzonitrile;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-benzooxazol-2-one;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(3,4-dichloro-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(2,3-dihydro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

(S)-1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2-morpholin-4-yl-ethyl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

[3-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-acetonitrile;

5-Chloro-3-(1-{3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-[3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-(3-{4-[3-(4-chloro-phenyl)-[1,2,4]oxadiazol-5-yl]-piperidin-1-yl}-2-hydroxy-propyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

10 1-[1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[4-(5-trifluoromethyl-benzothiazol-2-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

1-[1-{3-[4-(Benzo[d]isoxazol-3-yloxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

15 1-[1-{3-[4-(5-Chloro-benzooxazol-2-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

20 1-[1-{3-[4-(Benzothiazol-2-ylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

1-[1-{3-[4-(3,5-Dichloro-pyridin-4-yloxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

25 1-[1-{3-[4-(1H-Benzimidazol-2-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

6-Chloro-4-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;

30 6-Chloro-1-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;

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6-Chloro-1-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;

1-[4-(6-Chloro-2,2-dioxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-2λ⁶-benzo[1,2,6]thiadiazin-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propan-2-ol;

4-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-pyrido[3,2-b][1,4]oxazin-3-one;

5-Chloro-1-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-[4-(6-Chloro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propan-2-ol;

1-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1H-benzotriazole;

1-{3-[4-(3-Methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-sulfonic acid amide;

5-Chloro-3-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-pyridin-4-yl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-pyrazol-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

4-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[4-pyrazin-2-yl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-pyrazol-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;

(S)-1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one; and

(S)-5-Dimethylamino-3-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one.

63. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

1-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-octahydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-octahydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

Acetic acid 1-(1-{3-[5-acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1H-benzoimidazol-2-yl ester;

Methanesulfonic acid 1-(1-{3-[3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1H-benzoimidazol-2-yl ester;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-chloro-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-{3-[4-(5-Chloro-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

1-{3-[4-(5-Chloro-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid methylamide;

Acetic acid 1-(1-{3-[5-acetyl-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1H-benzoimidazol-2-yl ester;

Methanesulfonic acid 1-(1-{3-[3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1H-benzoimidazol-2-yl ester;

1-[1-{3-[4-(3,5-Dichloro-pyridin-4-ylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

1-[1-{3-[4-(Benzooxazol-2-yloxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

1-[1-{3-[4-(Benzooxazol-2-ylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone; and

1-(4-Benzooxazol-2-yl-piperidin-1-yl)-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propan-2-ol.

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64. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

1-(4-Benzothiazol-2-yl-piperidin-1-yl)-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propan-2-ol;

5 1-{3-[4-(5-Methyl-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzo[1,4]oxazin-4-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

N-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-N-(3-chloro-phenyl)-benzamide;

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4-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methyl-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;

4-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methyl-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;

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3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(5-methyl-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzo[1,4]oxazin-4-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

4-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methyl-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;

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4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methyl-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;

3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(6-ethanesulfonyl-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzo[1,4]oxazin-4-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

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4-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-ethanesulfonyl-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;

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4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-ethanesulfonyl-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;

- 1-[1-[3-(4-Benzothiazol-2-yl-piperidin-1-yl)-2-hydroxy-propyl]-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;
- 1-[1-[3-(4-Benzothiazol-2-yl-piperidin-1-yl)-2-hydroxy-propyl]-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;
- 5 1-(1-[3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;
- 1-(1-[3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-3,4-
- 10 dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;
- 1-(1-[3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;
- 1-(1-[3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-3,4-
- 15 dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;
- 1-(1-[3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;
- 20 1-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-3-[4-(6-chloro-2,2-dioxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-2λ⁶-2,1,3-benzothiadiazin-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propan-2-ol;
- 1-[4-(6-Chloro-2,2-dioxo-2,3-dihydro-2λ⁶-2,1,3-benzothiadiazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-
- 25 tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propan-2-ol;
- 1-[1-[3-[4-(6-Chloro-2,2-dioxo-2,3-dihydro-2λ⁶-2,1,3-benzothiadiazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;
- 4-(1-[3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-piperidin-4-yl)-4-1,4-benzoxazin-
- 30 3-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;

4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one;

4-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;

1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[4-(2-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-quinolin-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;

1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[4-(3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzoxazin-4-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;

4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one; and

4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one.

65. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;

1-{3-[4-(2-Oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-quinolin-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;

1-{3-[4-(3-Oxo-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzoxazin-4-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;

6-Chloro-4-(1-{3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one;

4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one;

4-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;

4-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3-chloro-4-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

6-Chloro-1-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-chloro-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

5-Chloro-1-(1-{3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-chloro-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-chloro-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4*H*-pyrido[3,2-*b*]-1,4-oxazin-3-one;

1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,5-dihydro-4,1-benzoxazepin-2-one;

1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,4-dihydro-3,1-benzoxazin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,4-dihydro-3,1-benzoxazin-2-one;

1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,5-dihydro-4,1-benzoxazepin-2-one;

1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,4-dihydro-3,1-benzoxazin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,4-dihydro-3,1-benzoxazin-2-one;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(5-nitro-2,3-dihydro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(6-nitro-2,3-dihydro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(2-methyl-2,3-dihydro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-(3-chloro-phenyl)-3-methyl-urea;

10 1-[3-(4-Benzotriazol-1-yl-piperidin-1-yl)-2-hydroxy-propyl]-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;

15 1-{3-[4-(5-Chloro-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;

5-Chloro-1-(1-{3-[3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;

20 1-{3-[4-(5-Methyl-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzo[1,4]oxazin-4-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester; and

3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(5-methyl-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzo[1,4]oxazin-4-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester.

25 66. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(6-ethanesulfonyl-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzo[1,4]oxazin-4-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;

30 1-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-3-[4-(5-trifluoromethyl-benzothiazol-2-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propan-2-ol;

5-Methyl-4-(1-{3-[3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;

- 4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methyl-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;
- 4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-ethanesulfonyl-4H-benzo[1,4]oxazin-3-one;
- 5 1-{3-[4-(6-Chloro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine;
- 3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(2-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-quinolin-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;
- 10 3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(2-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-quinolin-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;
- 3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzoxazin-4-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;
- 15 1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;
- 3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzoxazin-4-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;
- 20 1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;
- 4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one;
- 25 1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;
- 4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one;
- 30 1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one;
- 4-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one;

- 4-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4H-1,4-benzoxazin-3-one;
 1-(3-(3,4-Difluoro-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(2,3-dihydro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;
 5 1-[1-{3-[4-(5-Bromo-2,3-dihydro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;
 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3,4-difluoro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-indol-2-one;
 10 1-[1-{3-[4-(5-Bromo-2,3-dihydro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(3,4-difluoro-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;
 1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;
 15 1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;
 1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinazolin-2-one;
 1-(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(3-chloro-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;
 20 N-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-N-(3-chloro-phenyl)-acetamide;
 1-(4-Benzoimidazol-1-yl-piperidin-1-yl)-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propan-2-ol;
 25 1-(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(2-methoxy-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;
 1-(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(2-fluoro-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;
 30 1-{3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-[2-hydroxy-3-(4-phenylamino-piperidin-1-yl)-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl}-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(4-chloro-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-[1-{3-[4-(4-Bromo-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-chloro-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

5 4-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-ylamino)-benzonitrile;

1-{3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-[2-hydroxy-3-(4-p-tolylamino-piperidin-1-yl)-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl}-ethanone;

10 1-(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(4-methoxy-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(3-methoxy-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(3,5-dimethoxy-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

15 1-[1-{3-[4-(5-Chloro-2-methyl-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-chloro-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(3-chloro-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

20 [2-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-carbamoyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-ylamino)-4-ethanesulfonyl-phenoxy]-acetic acid methyl ester;

25 [2-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-ylamino)-4-ethanesulfonyl-phenoxy]-acetic acid methyl ester;

[2-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-ylamino)-4-ethanesulfonyl-phenoxy]-acetic acid methyl ester; and

30 3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(5-ethanesulfonyl-2-methoxycarbonylmethoxy-phenylamino)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester.

67. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

2-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-ylamino)-4-ethanesulfonyl-phenoxy]-acetic acid methyl ester;

5 1-{3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-[2-hydroxy-3-(4-o-tolyloxy-piperidin-1-yl)-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl}-ethanone;

1-{3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-[2-hydroxy-3-(4-phenoxy-piperidin-1-yl)-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl}-ethanone;

10 1-{3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-[2-hydroxy-3-(4-p-tolyloxy-piperidin-1-yl)-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl}-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-[2-hydroxy-3-[4-(4-methoxy-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-[3-[4-(4-chloro-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

15 1-(3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-[3-[4-(3-chloro-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-[3-[4-(3,4-dichloro-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

20 1-{3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-[2-hydroxy-3-(4-phenoxy-piperidin-1-yl)-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl}-ethanone;

3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-[2-hydroxy-3-(4-p-tolyloxy-piperidin-1-yl)-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-[2-hydroxy-3-[4-(4-methoxy-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

25 1-(3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-[3-[4-(4-chloro-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-[3-[4-(3-chloro-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

30 1-{3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-[2-hydroxy-3-(4-o-tolyloxy-piperidin-1-yl)-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl}-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-[3-[4-(3,4-dichloro-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

- 2-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzonitrile;
- 2-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzonitrile;
- 5 1-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-3-[4-(4-chloro-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-propan-2-ol;
- 1-[1-{3-[4-(4-Chloro-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;
- 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;
- 10 1-{1-[3-(5-Acetyl-3-phenyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl)-2-hydroxy-propyl]-piperidin-4-yl}-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;
- 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethoxy-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;
- 15 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-iodo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;
- 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;
- 20 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;
- 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-nitro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;
- 25 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethylsulfanyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;
- 30 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethylsulfanyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-methanesulfonyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

5 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

10 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-ethyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

15 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-isopropyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-butyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

20 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-benzyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-iodo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-fluoro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

25 3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-iodo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-7-fluoro-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-benzoimidazole-4-carbonitrile;

30 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-iodo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-fluoro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-iodo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-benzoimidazole-5-carbonitrile;

1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[4-(2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid methylamide;

3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid ethylamide;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one; and

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one.

68. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5,6-dichloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5,6-dichloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

5 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2-morpholin-4-yl-ethyl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

10 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3-fluoro-4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

15 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

(*R*)-1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

20 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methoxy-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-7-chloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

25 3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

30 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-7-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

(*R*)-1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

10 (S)-1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

(R)-1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

(R)-1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

20 2-{2-[3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-ethyl}-isoindole-1,3-dione;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2-amino-ethyl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

25 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-ethyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-ethyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

6-Chloro-1-(1-{3-[3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3-chloro-4-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-chloro-1-(2-morpholin-4-yl-ethyl)-1,3-dihydrobenzoimidazol-2-one;

[3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-aceticacid ethyl ester;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2,2,2-trifluoro-ethyl)-1,3-dihydrobenzoimidazol-2-one;

[3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]acetonitrile;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2-hydroxy-ethyl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3-chloro-4-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-chloro-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3-chloro-4-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-Ethyl-3-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2-hydroxy-ethyl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

10 [3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-acetonitrile;

2-[3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-acetamide;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2-oxo-tetrahydro-furan-3-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one; and

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2-methoxy-ethyl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one.

69. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2-oxo-butyl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2-diethylamino-ethyl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

30 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-cyclopropylmethyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-(2-methyl-allyl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

5-Chloro-3-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

10 6-Chloro-1-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

N-[4-(5-Acetyl-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-3-yl)-phenyl]-acetamide;

15 [3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-acetic acid;

20 1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3-bromo-4-chloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

25 3-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-(1H-Imidazole-4-carbonyl)-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

30 1-{3-[4-(3-Methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

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1-{3-[4-(3-Methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid ethylamide;

1-(1-{3-[5-(Isoxazole-5-carbonyl)-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-{3-[4-(3-Methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-sulfonic acid (N-t-butoxycarbonyl)amide;

1-Methyl-3-(1-{3-[5-(5-methyl-isoxazole-3-carbonyl)-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methoxy-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methoxy-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

5-Dimethylamino-3-(1-{3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-ethyl-5-methoxy-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-ethyl-5-methoxy-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

1-{3-[4-(3-Methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

10 1-{3-[4-(3-Methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-
propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-
5-carbothioic acid methylamide;

3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(3-methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid phenylamide;

1-(1-{3-[5-Benzoyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-chloro-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-{3-[4-(6-Chloro-3-methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-phenylmethanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(3-methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-chloro-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-chloro-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(6-chloro-3-methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

3-(1-{3-[5-Methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,5-dimethyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one; and

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one.

70. A compound of claim 1, selected from:

3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(3-methyl-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-sulfonic acid t-butoxycarbonyl-amide;

1-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-sulfonic acid t-butoxycarbonyl-amide;

3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

(R)-5-Chloro-3-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[3-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

1-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-methoxy-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methoxy-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[4-(2-oxo-1,2-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-3-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(2-oxo-1,2-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-3-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid amide;

[3-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-1-yl]-acetonitrile;

3-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-1-{3-[4-(2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid methylamide;

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3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

5 3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-methoxy-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

[3-(1-{3-[3-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-acetic acid ethyl ester;

10 [3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-acetic acid ethyl ester;

[3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-acetic acid ethyl ester;

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5-Chloro-3-(1-{3-[3-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-5-methanesulfonyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

(R)-1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-methyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

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1-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3-pyridin-4-ylmethyl-1,3-dihydro-benzoimidazol-2-one;

25 (R)-5-Dimethylamino-3-(1-{2-hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-chloro-3H-benzooxazol-2-one;

30 3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4-methyl-3H-benzooxazol-2-one;

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3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzooxazole-6-carboxylic acid ethyl ester;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-ethanesulfonyl-3H-benzooxazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-4-methyl-3H-benzooxazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-benzooxazole-6-carboxylic acid ethyl ester;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-bromo-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-methoxy-3H-benzooxazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-ethanesulfonyl-3H-benzooxazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-6-methoxy-3H-benzooxazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-benzooxazol-2-one;

3-(1-{3-[5-Acetyl-3-(4-chloro-3-methyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-5-chloro-3H-benzooxazol-2-one;

3-(1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propyl}-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-oxazolo[4,5-b]pyridin-2-one;

1-[1-[3-(4-Benzooxazol-2-yl-piperidin-1-yl)-2-hydroxy-propyl]-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

1-[1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[4-(6-methyl-benzooxazol-2-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

1-[1-{3-[4-(Benzothiazol-2-yloxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

1-[1-{2-Hydroxy-3-[4-(5-methyl-benzooxazol-2-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone;

1-(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(2-methoxy-phenyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-ethanone;

3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-{2-hydroxy-3-[4-(2-methoxy-phenyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-propyl}-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridine-5-carbaldehyde;

1-[1-[3-(4-Benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-hydroxy-propyl]-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1,4,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl]-ethanone; and

1-[4-(6-Chloro-indol-1-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-3-[5-methanesulfonyl-3-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-1-yl]-propan-2-ol.

71. A pharmaceutical composition, comprising a compound of claim 1, 3, 5, 60, or 61 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

72. A method for treating a subject with a condition mediated by cathepsin S, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1, 3, 5, 60, or 61.

73. A method for inhibiting cathepsin S activity in a subject, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1, 3, 60 or 61.

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74. A method for treating an autoimmune disease, or inhibiting the progression of an autoimmune disease, in a subject, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1, 3, 60, or 61.

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75. A method of claim 74, wherein the autoimmune disease is selected from lupus, rheumatoid arthritis, and asthma.

76. A method of claim 74, wherein the autoimmune disease is
10 asthma.

77. A method for treating or inhibiting the progression of tissue transplant rejection in a subject, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition
15 comprising a compound of claim 1, 3, 60, or 61.

78. A method of claim 77, wherein said administration occurs after said subject has undergone a tissue transplant procedure.

20 79. A method of claim 77, wherein said administration to said subject occurs before or during a tissue transplant procedure.